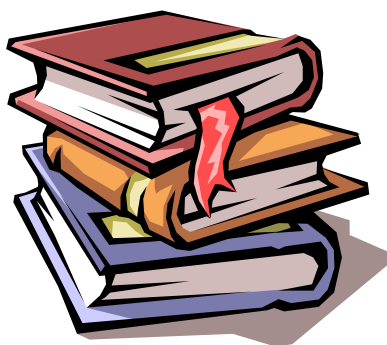


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**Request for Proposals
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RFP SPECIFICATIONS

A. BACKGROUND

Federal Legislation. The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) became law January 8, 2002. The Act substantially revises the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) in a manner designed to provide all of America's school children with the opportunity and means to achieve academic success. It embodies four key principles of President Bush's education reform plan:

1. accountability for results;
2. expanded state and local flexibility and reduced "red tape;"
3. expanded choices for parents; and
4. focusing resources on proven educational methods, particularly in reading instruction.

The Act provides officials and educators at the school, district, and state level flexibility to plan/implement school programs that will help close the achievement gap between disadvantaged and minority students and their peers. At the same time, the reauthorized Act holds school officials accountable to parents, students, and the public for achieving results. The full text of this law is linked on the web: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/esea02/index.html>.

Purpose of Grant

NCLB authorizes the funding of higher education partnerships in each state through Title II, Part A, Subpart 3 – Subgrants to Eligible Partnerships (EP). The purpose of Title II, Part A, is to increase the academic achievement of all students by helping schools and school districts improve teacher and principal quality and ensure that all teachers are highly qualified. Title II, Part A, provides support for K-12 teacher and principal recruitment, induction, and professional development support through K-16 partnerships. NCLB specifies that a partnership may use the funds for:

- professional development for teachers and principals in "core academic subjects" defined as:

English, reading, language arts	mathematics
science	foreign languages
civics, government	economics
arts	history, geography
- assistance to local education agencies in providing specific kinds of professional development for teachers, paraprofessionals or principals that will improve teaching and learning (e.g., standards and assessment alignment, pedagogy, training).
- leadership skills for principals.

Idaho Program Description

The Idaho State Board of Education as the Agency for Higher Education (SAHE) invites proposals that contain proven methods for addressing the complex issues surrounding teaching and learning. Proposals must address professional development efforts and initiatives that focus on improving student achievement and support the state core academic subjects.

Uses of Funds

A partnership shall use funds based on the following standards:

Standard 1: Professional development activities provided by Idaho EP projects serve teachers and principals in Idaho's highest need schools and districts.

Standard 2: All EP professional development activities provide significant opportunities for active learning through projects that demonstrate support, directly or through articulated agreements, of active learning activities such as: a) peer observation and feedback of participant teaching; b) practice under simulated conditions with feedback; c) informal meetings with other participants to discuss classroom implementation; d) sharing/reviewing student work; e) scoring/analyzing assessments; f) planning, developing and peer reviewing curricula or lesson plans; g) opportunity to present, demonstrate, or lead discussions with peer participants; h) analyzing teaching and learning needs using disaggregated student achievement data.

Standard 3: All EP professional development activities incorporate equity strategies to assist teachers, administrators, and other school staff in using practices that will provide all of their K-12 students regardless of population grouping or individual learning styles or needs with the opportunity to achieve excellence.

Standard 4: Professional development content activities provided by EP projects utilize the Idaho content Standards in the appropriate content area(s).

Standard 5: Professional development activities provided by EP projects support the development and growth of learning communities that involve prospective, novice and experienced teachers, administrators, and higher education faculty in collaborative interactions focused on improving student achievement.

General Requirements and Priorities for 2008-2009 Awards

Several federal and state requirements must be met by any project funded in this competition. To be considered responsive to this request, proposals must meet each of the following requirements.

1. **Eligible Disciplines.** Projects may address professional development of elementary, middle, high school teachers in core academic subjects and/or principals.
2. **Consistent with Systemic Reform of Education.** Although use of these funds is limited to a specified period, projects must also be consistent with longer-term systemic reform of education. Projects must:
 - align with state core academic standards;
 - set high expectations for all students to close the achievement gap;
 - encourage collaboration and networking between content specialists, teacher education specialists, and practicing teachers;
 - employ research-based educational strategies; and
 - deliver high-quality in-service professional development to elementary, middle, high school teachers and/or principals.
3. **Cooperative Planning and Collaboration**
 - **LEA/School Collaboration.** Evidence of LEA involvement in project planning, and a formal agreement between the college, university, or Nonprofit Organization (NPO) and the LEA(s),

or consortium of LEAs must be included in the proposal. This requirement is consistent with a federal requirement. (Note required eligible partners under Organization and Format)

- **Participant Input and Involvement in Planning.** Teacher participants and/or administrators from the school(s) to be served by the project must have input and be involved in project content, planning, and proposal preparation for all professional development projects. This requirement is intended to ensure that the nature, content, and academic credit (if any) for a course, workshop, or other activities will meet the needs of the teachers to be served and will promote efficient use of funds. Projects must be aligned with Idaho's English language arts, mathematics, and science core standards.
 - **Joint Effort within Higher Education Institutions.** Faculty members representing one or more of the core disciplines must have major roles in design and/or operation of the proposal and project. In addition, a faculty member from the college, school, division, or department of education must be an active collaborator in design, conduct, and evaluation of the project and submission of the proposal. Faculty in either a core content area or a teacher education program may serve as the project director.
4. **Nonprofit Organizations (NPOs) of Demonstrated Effectiveness.** Nonprofit organizations are responsible for submitting documentation of their demonstrated effectiveness in delivering high-quality professional development in language arts, mathematics, and/or science. This includes the NPOs prior experience in providing professional development and other relevant factors that bear on the NPOs ability to provide effective delivery service. This is only required if the proposal includes a nonprofit organization.
 5. **Sustained, Intensive Professional Development.** The U.S. Department of Education requires Idaho higher education to show sustained professional development of teachers using methods based on scientific research. To receive support, a professional development project must include activities for individual teachers spread over at least a six-month period. The project must increase teachers' knowledge of subject matter and effective instructional strategies, and be designed to document the application of the knowledge and pedagogy in the classroom to increase student achievement. Projects concentrated entirely upon summer activities will not be funded. Summer projects must include substantial follow-up components in the succeeding months. Follow-up components may be in person or may use distance learning technology.
 6. **Project Duration.** Subject to the preceding requirement of sustained professional development, projects may be of any appropriate length, but must be completed within the period running from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
 7. **Alignment with State Core Standards.** Professional activities must be directly linked to state standards for core subject areas.
 8. **Professional Development in the Use of Educational Technology and/or the Use of Distance Education in Professional Development.** The Idaho SAHE has a priority for increased access to needed educational experiences for Idaho's K-12 teachers and students, which includes utilizing distance education. Effective use of technology in the classroom may be considered in the initiatives.
 9. **Collaboration with Other Student and Teacher Enhancement Programs.** Colleges and universities are encouraged to determine whether similar initiatives already exist and to work cooperatively with existing initiatives in developing their proposal. These institutions should

explore options for a continuing commitment, including establishment of formal courses in academic departments, to meeting the needs of the teacher.

10. **Projects Must Target Subpopulations in Greatest Need.** The projects must specifically target effective instructional strategies to enable students in at least one of the subpopulations to master the core academic subjects. This target is consistent with state efforts to eliminate achievement gaps between population groups. These subpopulations, as per NCLB (1111) (b)(2)(C)(i)(II) and needs identified in Idaho, are economically disadvantaged students, students with limited English proficiency, and students with low achievement.
11. **Private School Involvement.** The Institution of Higher Education (IHE)-LEA partnerships must offer services equitably to public and private educational personnel. If the IHE-LEA partnership notifies public schools of a project for their participation, then the partnership must also notify private schools. If the IHE-LEA partnership includes schools in the planning process, then the partnership must also notify private schools to participate in the planning.

However, private schools may not have the criteria that the IHE-LEA partnership looks to serve (such as teachers of low-performing students). As a result, not all private schools will be included in a project since they may not have teachers with low performing students.

To provide services on an equitable basis to private schools, the partnership must send a letter to the appropriate private school official from each non-profit private school in the LEAs targeted for participation. In your proposal, describe the IHE-LEA partnership efforts to include the private nonprofit schools in the design and/or participation in the professional development project.

12. **EP funds may be used for personnel and instructional costs.** Staff/teacher and faculty release time or summer contracts, master teachers who serve a number of teachers in a defined region with one-to-one professional development assistance are eligible. In-state travel cost (out-of-state travel is not generally covered except in circumstances such as attendance at needed professional conferences); preparation and duplication of materials; workshop training-related costs; and related supplies. Funds for equipment purchases will not be covered except in unusual circumstances and only where the project's success directly hinges on the purchase of such equipment.

Criteria and Eligibility

1. All accredited Idaho colleges and universities that are approved by the State Board of Education to prepare licensed educators are eligible to apply for Education Partnership (EP) grants and may submit any number of proposals.
2. An eligible EP grant must include:
 - a department, division, or college of education, and
 - a college of arts and science, and
 - an eligible LEA.It may include:
 - another LEA,
 - a charter school,
 - an elementary or secondary school,
 - an educational service agency,
 - a nonprofit educational organization,

- another institution of higher education,
 - a school of arts and sciences or education within a higher education institution,
 - a nonprofit cultural organization,
 - a teacher organization,
 - a principal organization, or
 - a business.
3. Funds made available through the EP Program may be used only to supplement, not supplant, funds from non-federal sources.
 4. Priority will be given to projects, which propose to serve the professional development needs of teachers or principals from low performing, high need schools.
 5. Projects should incorporate equity strategies to assist teachers, administrators, and other school staff in using practices that will provide all of their K-12 students regardless of population grouping or individual learning styles or needs with the opportunity to achieve excellence.
 6. Grantees must demonstrate the capacity to meet the accounting and reporting components required of the EP program, to include submission of cost reimbursement invoices on a regular basis (monthly or quarterly), and completion of abstracts, evaluation reports, final financial report, and final written reports, in a timely manner.
 7. NCLB states that no single participant in an eligible partnership may use more than 50% of the grant funds made available to the partnership. The term “use of funds” applies to the cost of running or administering the grant program.

Definitions

High-Need Local Education Agency (LEA)

The State Board of Education (SBOE) is required to use the following federal guidelines to determine high-need districts in Idaho for the purpose of determining eligibility for Title II, Part A funding:

1. districts
 - a. that serve no fewer than 10,000 children from families with incomes below the poverty line; or
 - b. for which no fewer than 20% of children in the area served by the LEA are from families with incomes below the poverty line; and
2. districts for which there is
 - a. a high percentage of teachers not teaching in the academic subjects or grade levels the teachers were trained to teach, or
 - b. a high percentage of teachers with emergency, provisional, or temporary certification or licensing. [NCLB, Section 2102(3)]

The SBOE has developed a high-need LEA list, working with the State Department of Education Bureau of Teacher Certification to determine the percentage of teachers with non-standard licenses in high-poverty schools. (Attachment A.)

Scientifically based research

NCLB requires grant-funded activities to be based upon a review of scientifically based research. The following is a synopsis of the definition of “scientifically-based research” as stated in NCLB, Section 9101(37):

Research that involves the application of rigorous, systematic, and objective procedures to obtain reliable and valid knowledge relevant to education activities and programs.

Includes research that: employs systematic, empirical methods, involves rigorous data analysis; relies on measurements that provide reliable and valid data; is evaluated using experimental designs; can be replicated; and has been accepted by a peer-review journal.

High-need LEA

A high-need LEA is defined as an LEA:

- (A) (i) that serves not fewer than 10,000 children from families with incomes below the poverty line; **or**
 - (ii) for which not less than 20 percent of the children served by the agency are from families with incomes below the poverty line; **and**
- (B) (i) for which there is a high percentage of teachers not teaching in the academic subjects or grade levels that the teachers were trained to teach; **or**
 - (ii) for which there is a high percentage of teachers with emergency, provisional, or temporary certification or licensing [Section 2102(3)].

Highly Qualified Teacher

Idaho's definition of highly qualified teachers can be accessed at the following web site:

<http://www.sde.idaho.gov/TeacherCertification/default.asp>

Professional Development

The term "professional development" means instructional activities that:

- Are based on scientifically based research and state academic content standards, student academic achievement standards, and assessment;
- Improve and increase teachers' knowledge of the academic subjects they teach;
- Enable teachers to become highly qualified; and
- Are sustained, intensive, and classroom-focused in order to have a positive and lasting impact on classroom instruction and the teacher's performance in the classroom.

Summer Workshop or Institute:

The term "summer workshop or institute" means a workshop or institute, conducted during the summer, that:

- Is conducted for a period of not less than 2 weeks;
- Includes, as a component, a program that provides direct interaction between students and faculty; and
- Provides for follow-up training during the academic year that is conducted in the classroom for a period of not less than three consecutive or nonconsecutive days.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Due date

The original must include an original signature of the authorized institutional official on the cover page. Fax and e-mail transmissions are not acceptable. To be considered for funding, proposals must be received at the Board Office by **5:00 pm on February 27, 2009**. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Proposals should be mailed or delivered to:

Allison McClintick
Office of the State Board of Education
P.O. Box 83720
650 W. State Street
Boise, ID 83720

Organization and Format

1. Complete the RFP Proposal Cover Page (Attachment C). Briefly and concisely describe the program to be implemented and summarize the intended results of the program. The RFP Cover Page must be signed by the chief executive official for the institution (this is typically the president, provost/vice president of academic affairs, or research office head).
2. Describe in no more than twenty pages (double spaced) how you propose to address the project priority areas. Include the following sections in this order:
 - **Key activities proposed and research related to approaches/strategies** - Describe the original research and explain how and why the activities being replicated were chosen and why they can reasonably be expected to lead to achieving the objectives of the project.
 - **Projected timeline for project activities** – All funds must be obligated by June 30, 2010 and the State Board of Education must be invoiced by June 30, 2010.
 - **Program Goals, Objectives, and Targets** - Outline the goals and include objectives that are specific, measurable, ambitious, realistic and trackable. Goals and objectives must correlate to the identified needs. This section should be formatted in a way which goals, objectives, and annual targets are clear and easy to read and understand.
 - **Key personnel for the project** – Describe the project's governance structure, the roles of all partners, how they were selected, and their duties and responsibilities related to the goals and objectives of the project.
 - **Required eligible partners** - provide a list of your required eligible partners including your own institution and include Memorandums of Understanding with each partner. Description of your organization, agency, and/or consortia in greater detail may be submitted as well.
 - **Evaluation and Accountability Plan** - describe the plan that will be used to evaluate the program during each year of the program. The plan will include evaluation at each of the five levels outlined in *Professional Development Evaluation*. (See Attachment F)
The evaluation plan must include:
 - (a) Measurable objectives and annual targets which describe progress towards meeting the goals and objectives;
 - (b) Measurable objectives for reducing the number of teachers who do not meet the definition of "highly qualified teacher";
 - (c) Measurable objectives for improved student academic achievement on state assessments;
 - (d) Number of students impacted by the partnership; and
 - (e) Detailed plan for the partnership for the use of a contracted evaluator.

3. Complete the Budget Form including information required on the form (Attachment D). Include a budget narrative not to exceed two pages (single spaced) that describes the basis for determining the amounts shown on the project budget page. Both the project budget and the narrative description should be aligned with the activities described in the program goals and objectives. Provide an assurance on the Budget Form that no single participant in an eligible partnership will use more than 50% of the grant funds made available to the partnership.
4. Appendix – Include bibliography, partner vitas, and letters of commitment from each partner.

Review Process

As proposals are received at the Board office, they will be reviewed by staff for completeness and compliance with the requirements set forth in Title II, Part A, subpart 3 of NCLB to determine applicant eligibility. Any questions about significant omissions from a proposal or about applicant eligibility will be referred to the proposing organization. If, in the judgment of the Board staff, a proposal is late, significantly incomplete, or an applicant cannot establish its eligibility, the proposal will be eliminated from the competition. The decision of the Board Staff is final and those applicants will be notified in writing.

Proposals will be read by a review team composed of SBOE staff and readers selected from the following categories: teacher licensing board staff, and K-12 teachers and administrators. Proposals will be reviewed according to the following criteria:

Review Criteria: See (Attachment E) for proposal scoring guide

Criteria	Points
Commitment and Capacity of Partnership	10
Demonstration of Professional Development Needs	15
Alignment of Goals and Objectives with Identified Needs	20
Research Base and Efficacy of Plan to Increase Student Achievement	30
Evaluation and Accountability Plan	15
Budget and Cost Effectiveness	10

Following the review, Board staff will contact Program Directors to discuss any modifications of the project plan that may be required. The Board staff will fund those proposals that show the most promise for increasing student achievement in mathematics and science. In order to maximize the effects of limited funds, applicants whose grants are recommended at less than the amount requested may be asked to revise the project budget and/or scope of work.

Award Notification

Awards under the EP program will be announced in writing to the institutions selected for funding as well as to unsuccessful applicants within thirty days of completion of the review process.

Award Conditions

The FFY 2008 grant funds will be awarded for the state fiscal year starting July 1, 2009 and must be spent by June 30, 2010. The office of the State Board of Education expects to fund 3 to 4 eligible partnership programs averaging approximately \$85,000 to \$115,000. The Office of the State Board of Education reserves the right to reallocate any remaining funds.

It is expected that no project will receive a grant award that does not meet a minimum 85% average score through the competitive review process. It should be noted that additional consideration in the review process will be given to partnership projects which will impact teachers and/or principals in low-performing, high-need schools; partnerships proposed in geographic locations underrepresented by the proposals submitted; and projects that propose to work with a significant number of high-need LEAs.

Reporting Requirements

Each eligible partnership receiving a grant must report annually to the Board of Education office and to the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Idaho Board of Education regarding the partnership's progress in meeting the objectives and annual targets described in the partnership's accountability plan. Further information regarding reporting requirements will be made available from the Board Office and the U.S. Secretary of Education.

Statement of Assurances

Program award recipients are required to sign a Statement of Assurances for the receipt of federal funds. The Statement of Assurances is attached for information purposes (Attachment B).

Coordination with the Higher Education Act of 1965

The NCLB requires that an eligible partnership that receives these grant funds as well as a grant under section 203 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 shall coordinate activities carried out under both grants. If your institution or any of your partners is a recipient of the above-mentioned grant, you are required to provide a statement of assurance that activities carried out under both programs will be coordinated.

Questions

Questions concerning higher education proposals should be referred to Allison McClintick at the Office of the State Board of Education Allison.McClintick@osbe.idaho.gov 208-332-1579

Attachment A
TTT – High Need Districts 2008

Dist.	Dist. Name	Superintendent	Address	Phone	E-Mail
133	Wilder	Daniel Arriola	PO Box 488 Wilder ID 83676	482-6228	darriola@sd133.k12.id.us
314	Dietrich	Neal Hollingshead	406 N Park Street Dietrich ID 83324	544-2158	nealh@sd314.k12.id.us
433	Midvale	James Warren	PO Box 130 Midvale ID 83645	355-2678	warrenj@midvalerangers.org
	West Jefferson	Steve Lambertsen	1272 East 1500 North Terreton ID 83450	663-4542	westjeff@wjsd.org
132	Caldwell	Roger Quarles	1101 Cleveland Blvd. Caldwell ID 83605	455-3300	rquarles@caldwellschools.org
202	West Side	Melvin Beutler	PO Box 39 Dayton ID 83232	747-3502	mbeutler@wssd.k12.id.us
292	South Lemhi	Jim Smith	PO Box 119 Leadore ID 83464	768-2441	admin292@salmoninternet.com
415	Hansen	Dennis Coulter	550 Main Street Hansen ID 83334	423-6387	dcoulter@hansen.k12.id.us
288	Whitepine	Daryl Bertelsen	PO Box 249 Troy ID 83871	877-1408	dbertelsen@sd286.k12.id.us
341	Lapwai	Terry Smith (Ruth Cannon)	PO Box 247 Lapwai ID 83540	843-2622 843-2241	Rcannon@lapwai.us
365	Bruneau-Grand View	Vickie Chandler	PO Box 310 Grand View ID 83624	834-2253	vchandler@sd365.org
137	Parma	Jim Norton	805 East McConnell Parma ID 83660	722-5115	jnorton@sd137.k12.id.us
417	Castleford	Andy Wiseman	500 Main Street Castleford ID 83321	537-6511	awiseman@castlefordschools.org
135	Notus	Jim Doramus	PO Box 256 Notus ID 83656	459-7442	cordellj@notusschools.k12.id.us
418	Murtaugh	Michele Capps	PO Box 117 Murtaugh ID 83344	432-5451	michele.capps@murtaugh.k12.id.us
244	Mountain View	Wayne Davis	714 Jefferson Avenue Grangeville ID 83530	983-0990	davisw@jsd241.org
55	Blackfoot	Scott Crane	270 East Bridge Street Blackfoot ID 83221	785-8800	crans@d55.k12.id.us
432	Cambridge	Ed Schumacher	PO Box 39 Cambridge ID 83610	257-3321	eschumacher@cambridge432.org
231	Gooding	Arlyn Bodily	507 Idaho Street Gooding ID 83330	934-4321	arlyn.bodily@goodingschools.org
161	Clark County	Paul Blanford	PO Box 237 Dubois ID 83423	374-5215	blanfordp@dcdi.net
243	Salmon River	Carl Morgan	PO Box 872 Riggins ID 83549	628-3431	morganc@jsd243.org
192	Glenns Ferry	Wayne Rush	800 Old Hwy 30 Glenns Ferry ID 83623	366-7436	wrush@gfpilots.org
391	Kellogg	Sandra Pommerening	800 Bunker AV Kellogg ID 83837	784-1348	Sandra.pommerening@ksd391.org
370	Homedale	Tim Rosandick	116 E Owyhee Av Homedale ID 83678	337-4611	trosandick@homedaleschools.org
381	American Falls	Ron Bollinger	827 Fort Hall Av American Falls ID 83211	226-5173	ronb@sd381.k12.id.us
044	Plummer Worley	George Olsen	PO Box 130 Plummer ID 83851	686-1621	Olsen.george@lakesidesch.org

Attachment B**STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES**

Should an award of funds from the State Agency Higher Education Eligible Partnership Program be made to the applicant in support of the activities proposed in this application, the authorized signature on the cover page of this application certifies to the Idaho Board of Education that the authorized official assures that:

1. Funds derived from title II, Part A, the Teacher and Principal quality training and Recruiting Fund Program, will be used only for the purposes for which they are granted.
2. The applicant will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Education, pursuant to the chapter, to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the applicant received federal financial assistance.
3. The applicant will comply with title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (P.L. 92-318) and all regulations issued by the Department of Education, pursuant to the title, to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity administered or authorized by the State Board of Education or State Board of Higher Education.
4. The applicant will comply Executive Order 2004-05, Fair Employment Practices, issued by the Governor of the State of Idaho, to the end that no person in Idaho shall, on the basis of age, handicap, national origin, race, marital status, religion, or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity administered or authorized by the State Board of Education.
5. The applicant will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (Buckley Amendment-Public Law 930-380) and all regulations issued by the Department of Education, pursuant to this Act.
6. The applicant will use funds only to supplement and, to the extent practicable, increase the level of funds from non-Federal sources that would, in the absence of funds made available for the purposes of the project, and may not use funds made available under this part to supplant funds from non-Federal sources.
7. Federal funds made available for the proposed program will ensure the equitable participation of private elementary and secondary school teachers in the purposes and benefits of the EP Program.
8. The applicant will make such reports to the Idaho State Board of Education, in such form and containing such information, as may be reasonably necessary to enable the Board to perform its duties under this title, and will keep such records and afford such access thereto as the state education agency may find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports.

Signature of Chief Executive Officer _____

Date _____

Attachment C

RFP COVER PAGE

Applicant Organization (lead institution in the eligible partnership):

Address:

Project Director (Contact Person)

Title:

Telephone:

Fax:

E-mail:

Title of Project:

Brief Description of Project:

Total Grant Funds Requested: \$ _____

Length of Project: _____ (months)

Number of Participants: _____ (Teachers)

_____ (Principals)

_____ Other

This proposal complies with all policies/regulations and carries the full endorsement of this institution of higher education.

Chief Executive Official (signature)

Title

Date

Attachment D

EP BUDGET FORM

	Partner 1 Lead Institution	Partner 2	Partner 3	Partner 4*
1. Salaries & Wages				
2. Employee Benefits				
3. In-State Travel				
4. Materials & Supplies				
5. Other				
Total RFP Funds Requested				
Cost Sharing by Local Education Agencies (School Districts)				
Identify any cost sharing by other groups in the partnership				

**Add additional columns per partner*

☐ Check here for assurance that no single participant in the eligible partnership will use more than 50% of the grant funds made available to the partnership.

Commitment and Capacity of Partnership – 10 Points Possible				
Criteria	Exemplary	Basic	Below Basic	Points Awarded
Partners' role in project 5 Points Possible	4-5 Points The role of each partner is clear and evidence is provided that each partner played a role in the development of the project.	2-3 Points The role of each partner is provided but little or no evidence is provided that each partner played a role in the development of the project.	0-1 Points Little or no evidence is provided to indicate the role of one or more partners.	
Capacity of partnership 5 Points Possible	4-5 Points <i>Number of staff and institutional resources are clearly adequate to carry out the proposed project. Staff members are well qualified and their experience and expertise are aligned with duties to be performed.</i>	2-3 Points Number and quality of staff are provided but do not clearly support project. Institutional resources are not clearly identified.	0-1 Points Explanation of capacity is inadequate, may be missing one or more of the criteria.	
Total Points for this section				

Demonstration of Professional Development Needs in Partner Schools/Districts – 15 Points Possible				
Criteria	Exemplary	Basic	Below Basic	Points Awarded
Identification of professional development needs 8 Points Possible	5-8 Points There is clear evidence from multiple sources to support professional development needs cited. Connection between identified professional development need(s) and improved student achievement is clear.	3-4 Points Evidence of data from a few sources is presented to support the needs of the school or school district population.	0-2 Points Limited data available. Needs identified are not adequately supported by evidence.	
Prioritization of needs 7 Points Possible	4-7 Points There is clear evidence that partners have collectively determined which professional development need(s) are of the highest priority and will be addressed by the project.	2-3 Points Some evidence is provided to show that the targeted need(s) were selected with input from project partners.	0-1 Points Limited or no evidence is given to indicate why the partnership selected targeted need(s).	
Total Points for this section				

Attachment E continued

Alignment of Project Goals and Objectives with Professional Development Needs - 20 Points Possible				
Criteria	Exemplary	Basic	Below Basic	Points Awarded
Description of the project's goals and objectives 20 Points Possible	13-20 Points Goals are clear and objectives are specific, measurable , ambitious, and realistic. Goals and objectives are clearly correlated to the targeted professional development needs.	4-12 Points Goals and objectives are well defined, measurable, and aligned with targeted needs.	0-3 Points Objectives lack specificity and/or their alignment with objectives is unclear.	
Total Points for this section				

Research Base and Efficacy of Plan to Achieve Project Objectives – 30Points Possible				
Criteria	Exemplary	Basic	Below Basic	Points Awarded
Explanation of <u>how</u> proposed activities are expected to lead to achievement of project objectives. 10 Points Possible	7-10 Points Detailed, concise description provided to describe how each strategy and/or activity will address one or more project objectives. Plan addresses all objectives.	3-6 Points General description provided to describe how the strategies will address project objectives.	0-2 Points Limited description provided connecting activities to objectives.	
Supporting research for development of project 15 Points Possible	10-15 Points Clearly outlines how the program and strategies selected are a replication or extension of cited research that has documented success in achieving one or more project objectives	4-9 Points Clearly documented research is cited to support selected program and strategies.	0-3 Points Proposal includes bibliography but provides little evidence of research to support efficacy of project to achieve objectives.	
Planned activities are aligned with Idaho Achievement Standards 5 Points Possible	3-5 Points Plan provides an explicit description of how the content and instructional strategies included in the project aligns with Idaho Achievement Standards.	2 Points Plan includes content and instructional strategies that are based on Idaho Achievement Standards.	0-1 Point Limited description given of alignment with Idaho Achievement Standards.	
Total Points for this section				

Attachment E continued

Evaluation and Accountability Plan – 15 Points Possible				
Criteria	Exemplary	Basic	Below Basic	Points Awarded
Design of the evaluation plan 12 Points Possible	8-12 Points Evaluation plan clearly states the design of the plan to measure and document the five levels of evaluation include in the Request for Proposals. Contracted evaluator is highly qualified and duties are clearly stated.	3-7 Points Plan states the design of the evaluation to document the effectiveness of the program but lacks specific measures for one or more of the project's objectives.	0-2 Points Proposal lacks a clear plan to document the effectiveness of programs and activities in meeting annual targets or project objectives.	
Annual Targets 3 Points Possible	3 Points Specific achievable targets that describe expected progress toward meeting each objective of the project are included for each year of the program.	2 Points Annual targets for meeting needs(s) addressed are provided but they are broadly stated.	0-1 Points Plan lacks specific annual targets.	
Total Points for this section				

Budget and Cost Effectiveness – 10 Points Possible			
Criteria	Basic	Below Basic	Points Awarded
Budget summary 3 Points Possible	2-3 Points A quality budget summary is included for each of the designated partners.	0 Points One or more budget summary is missing or incomplete.	
Narrative reflects required activities 3 Points Possible	2-3 Points Budget narrative clearly delineates cost and details concerning expenditures for all project activities.	0 points Budget narrative does not include a cost breakdown for each category or it includes expenditures not clearly related to the project description.	
Cost effectiveness 4 Points Possible	2-4 Points The amount included in each budget category is commensurate with the services or goods proposed, and the overall cost of the project is commensurate with the professional development provided and number of teachers served.	0-1 Points One or more budget categories are inconsistent with services or goods proposed.	
Total Points for this section			

Attachment F

Professional Development Evaluation

EVALUATION LEVEL	QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED	MEASURE	WHAT IS MEASURED?	HOW WILL INFORMATION BE USED?
1 PARTICIPANTS' REACTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did they like it? • Was their time well-spent? • Did the material make sense? • Will it be useful? • Was the leader knowledgeable and helpful? • Were the refreshments fresh and tasty? • Was the room the right temperature? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questionnaires or surveys administered at the end of the session. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial satisfaction with the experience. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To improve professional development program design and delivery.
2 PARTICIPANTS' LEARNING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did participants acquire the intended knowledge and skills? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper-and-pencil instruments. • Simulations. • Demonstrations. • Participant reflections (oral and/or written). • Participant portfolios. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New knowledge and skills of participants. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To improve instructional practice • <i>To demonstrate the impact of professional development</i>
3 ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT AND CHANGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Were sufficient resources made available? • Were problems addressed quickly and efficiently? • Was implementation advocated, facilitated, and supported? • Were successes recognized and shared? • Was the support public and overt? • What was the impact on the organization? • Did it affect organizational climate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes from follow-up meetings. • Questionnaires. • Structured interviews with participants and district or school administrators. • District and school records. • Participant portfolios. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The organization's advocacy, support, accommodation facilitation, and recognition. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To document and improve organizational support. • To inform future change efforts.

	and procedures?			
4 PARTICIPANTS' USE OF NEW KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did participants effectively apply the new knowledge and skills? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questionnaires. • Structured interviews with participants and their supervisors. • Participant reflections (oral and/or written). • Participant portfolios. • Direct observations. • Video or audiotapes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree and quality of implementation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To document and improve the implementation of program content. • <i>To demonstrate the impact of professional development</i>
5 STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What was the impact on the students? • Did it affect student performance or achievement? • Did it influence student's physical or emotional well-being? • Are students more confident as learners? • Is Student Attendance improving? • Are dropouts decreasing? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student records • School records • Questionnaires. • Structured interviews with students, parents, teachers, and/or administrators. • Participant portfolios. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student learning outcomes. • Cognitive (performance and achievement). • Affective (attitudes and dispositions). • Psychomotor (skills and behaviors). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To focus and improve all aspects of program design, implementation, and follow-up. • <i>To demonstrate the overall impact of professional development.</i>

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